

DEAD MAN APPOINTED

Democrats Ran Things in the North Carolina Legislature.

REPUBLICANS NOT IN IT

When a Republican Member Introduced a Bill the Democratic County Chairman Was Promptly Communicated With.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RALEIGH, N. C., March 14.—It develops that the recent General Assembly appointed at least one dead man to office. A bill was passed providing that the Legislature should appoint county school boards, the bill including boards of three members for each county. It is found that H. W. Douglass, who died over eighteen months ago, was one of the three appointed for Yadkin county. This is accounted for by the fact that the members of the Assembly from the session, ex-Republicans, and were not therefore consulted in making appointments.

The sharp and yet courteous manner in which party lines were drawn in the recent Legislature has been the source of much comment. Republican members, in the closing hours of the session, expressed the most hearty appreciation for the courtesy and impartiality accorded them, and yet from the very beginning of the session, whenever a Republican member would introduce a bill affecting even only his immediate county, the chairman of whatever committee to which it was referred would write at once to the chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee for that county and ascertain whether or not the Democrats desired such a bill, and the Assembly would dispose of the bill accordingly.

The Wake County Sunday-school Convention was in session to-day, and will continue to-morrow. Sunday-school workers are here from all parts of the county. Mr. Charles Elmer Furman, of New York, is the most notable participant. He conducted a Bible class, with blackboard illustrations, to-day, and delivers an address on Sunday-school work to-morrow.

A charter was granted to-day to the International Electric Railway and Telephone Company, of Spray, Rockingham county, among the privileges conveyed to the company being the construction and operation of systems of electric cars and telephones between Spray, Lenoir, Relfordville, Wentworth, Stoneville, Moydan and Madison. The authorized capital is \$250,000. The incorporators are M. G. Wilson, E. V. Hobbs and S. H. Marshall.

Other charters granted are to the Asheville Lumber Co., capital \$25,000; incorporators: J. J. Perkins, J. W. Rutherford and J. E. Dickerson, and the

Columbus Trading Company, of Whiteville, Columbus county; capital \$15,000. Incorporators: William C. Calfee, of Wilmington, and J. D. Moutaby and J. T. McKindle, of Whiteville.

The 131st volume of the North Carolina Supreme Court Reports, August, 1902, term, is coming from the press of the State printer, and will be issued just as soon as some belated labels are received.

There is very little indication now that Raleigh will have any base-ball attractions this season. There is some talk of going into the proposed Virginia-Carolina base-ball league, to be organized at Danville next Monday night, but not enough to indicate very strongly that such a thing will be done.

Early in the coming week warrants will be issued on the State treasury for the second \$100,000, to bring the public school terms up to the four months minimum limit. Seventy-five counties are asked to contribute \$140,000, and the scaling of amounts to come within the amount available—\$100,000—is the cause of the delay. The applications range from \$300 to \$5,100. Rutherford asking for the largest amount, \$8,100. Cleveland, for \$7,000, and Cumberland for \$5,000. These are the three requests for the largest amounts.

The hunting season for quail in this section closed to-day. A number of sportsmen are out to take a last crack at this toothsome game.

No New Fries Merger.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., March 14.—Mr. J. W. Fries says there is no truth in the Associated Press report sent out from Raleigh to the effect that a new Fries merger will be formed by the aid of New York capitalists, and that the consolidation is expected to be effected early in April. Mr. Fries says that he has no change in his plans, and he is of the opinion that the proposed merger of a number of cotton mills in the South will be consummated at an early date, probably next month.

At the Mecklenburg.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHAS. CITY, VA., March 14.—There are a number of guests well known in Virginia and elsewhere at "The Mecklenburg," among them Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Williams—Mr. Williams was for many years connected with the diplomatic service of this country; Mrs. Williams is a niece of Commander Vanderbilt—Mrs. George E. Waring, one of the social leaders of New York city; Mrs. Theodore Pugh, of Oswego, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Crow, of Philadelphia, Pa.; Miss Ruth Dayton, of Glenridge, N. J.; a very handsome young lady, an accomplished musician; Mr. and Mrs. H. Sanderson, of New York—Mr. Sanderson is proprietor of the Fifth Avenue Coach Company; Mrs. Sanderson is quite a well known horsewoman; Mr. and Mrs. L. Powers, Mrs. S. P. Guest, Miss Claiborne and Dr. Stuart McGuire, all of Richmond.

War on Fusionists.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., March 14.—The straight-out Democrats of Norfolk county, of which George W. Jones is the chairman, and also a member of the State Committee, met to-day in Berkley, and adopted resolutions to hold a convention and nominate a ticket, which shall be the Democratic ticket of the county. This practically declares war on the Fusionists, of which Senator A. C. Cromwell is the leader.

Bright's Disease and Diabetes Cured.

University Chemist, Acting as Judge.

Irving K. Mott, M. D., of Cincinnati, O., demonstrated before the editorial board of the Evening Post, one of the leading daily papers of Cincinnati, that the power of his remedy to cure the worst forms of Bright's disease, diabetes, and other ailments, was not a public test was instituted under the supervision of the Post and five cases of Bright's disease and diabetes were selected by them and placed under Dr. Mott's care. In three months' time all were pronounced cured, one of the most prominent Universities in the United States having been chosen by the Post to make examination of the cases before and after treatment.

Any one desiring to read the details of this public test can obtain copies of the paper by writing to Dr. Mott for them. This public demonstration gave Dr. Mott an international reputation, and has brought him into correspondence with people all over the world, and several noted correspondents of this paper have been who have taken his treatment and been cured.

The doctor will correspond with those who are suffering with Bright's disease, diabetes or any kidney trouble, either in the first, intermediate or last stages. He will be pleased to give his expert opinion free to those who will send him a description of their symptoms. An essay written by the doctor has been translated into many languages and is being distributed free to those who have taken his treatment and been cured.

We have a faint recollection that Smith had it last, and in order to trace it up we have gone into every cafe and snack shop in the city.

Up to date we have been unsuccessful, and we ask our good friends to help us to hold back the storm clouds and things until we are in shape to keep in out of the wet.

That umbrella was given to us by a dearly beloved friend as a gift at a party, and we have cherished it and carried it around with us ever since.

Any information leading to the recovery will be gladly received by Major Howard.

Buttermilk is on its way. We saw a glass the other day. When grass is green and sky is blue, we'll live on buttermilk and well-washed feet and white and gray. And try to keep from getting gay.

The best of friends must part some day, and when a business is ended by "Bury," left town we felt lost for a few minutes, and as the train pulled out for New York and the lace handkerchiefs of the fair ones waved a fond farewell to us out of the car windows, we felt like using our own handkerchiefs to advantage.

Happy hours are those during which life slips away like ice cream down a throat of swan-like whiteness, topped by a crown of ruby lips.

They are like dreams of fairyland that pass all too quickly, and when we have a chance to pass a few hours we do it with a will.

Some of those hours came to us last week, and we just want to extend our thanks to the "Happy Family" bunch for helping us to forget our troubles for a while.

No voyage!

We hope that Mr. Harry Glenn will not go to Congress.

We sincerely trust that his intention of running for that place, Mr. Glenn is a politician, and in all the scathings that have been scathed upon the heads of the politicians he has escaped unscathed.

We want him to remain unscathed, and when he should go into the vortex of Washington politics it will come all off with him, for the future course of his career, or words to that effect.

We want him to stay in Richmond so we can get his advice when we need it, and we hope he won't get into Washington to accept.

We accept Mr. Barrett's apology. When he told us that somebody thought he was us, and that when he suggested the idea he made the other fellow apologize and get 'em up to cigars, we felt good.

We feel that the we should be taken for Mr. Barrett, for he is one of the best spokesmen in the Manchester Council.

SOUTHERN HISTORY

Original Documentary Material for Preservation of Intense Interest.

Volume XXX of the Southern Historical Society papers is out, and it is an exceptionally interesting and valuable number. It contains the now famous oration of the Hon. Charles Francis Adams, of Massachusetts; "Shall Cromwell Have a Statue?" in which the South is vindicated; a list of the graduates of West Point Academy who served in the Confederate army; a surprising for the number of northern men it contains, compiled by Captain W. Gordon McComb; Judge Christian's paper on the treatment and exchange of prisoners; an account of the battle of Cedar Creek, by Captain Samuel D. Buckner; "The Battle Wounding of General Jackson," by Major H. N. Morgan; a roll of the Battle Grays of Manchester, Va.; roster of Company D, Fifth Virginia Infantry; the Black Horse Cavalry; "Hills Around Baltimore 1861," by General Bradley Q. Johnson; "The Fatal Wounding of General 'Jeb' Stuart," a circumstantial account, by Colonel Dorsey; list of the dead buried at Johnson's Island; "The Campaign and Battle of Lynchburg," by the late Captain C. M. Blackford, with roster of the Lynchburg companies in the army; Colonel, the Hon. William Evelyn Cameron's Lee Camp address, "The Southern Cause," now famous, with contributions concerning "The General's Beliefs," Major Breckinridge, "The Federal Skedaddle at Chambersburg, Pa.," a roster of Pelham's afterwards, Breckinridge's, Battery, of Cedar Creek, and of Federal General Early; Perryville; the Ironclad, the first Federal in Richmond; the Carolina Cadets; and much else relating to our great struggle for our natural and constitutional rights.

VERY DULL IN WILMINGTON

The Leaders of Society Are Strictly Observing Lent.

TENDERED DR. BLACKWELL

Well-Known Baptist Minister Who Is Soon to Leave to Norfolk to Succeed Rev. E. B. Hatcher as Pastor of First Church.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WILMINGTON, N. C., March 13.—Socially, Wilmington is very dull, the leaders of society strictly observing Lent.

The most pronounced function of the week was a reception given Tuesday night by the congregation of the First Baptist Church as a farewell to their pastor, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., who has recently accepted a call to the First Church at Norfolk, Va., and who will leave for his new home about April 1st.

Between three and four hundred people attended the reception. Members of the congregation, pastors and members of other churches were those in attendance. It was a most flattering compliment to Dr. and Mrs. Blackwell, and one worthily bestowed. During the evening a program of beautiful music was rendered by some of the city's most accomplished musicians. A course of delicious refreshments was served. Several impromptu speeches were made, and Dr. Blackwell, in reply, said that he was glad to have been in Wilmington. The reception was a true indication of the pastor's popularity in Wilmington. He is held in the highest esteem by all denominations.

His prominence to the reception mentioned above was a most enjoyable function given the same night by the Masonic fraternity. Work in the sublime degree of Master Mason was followed by an elaborate and sumptuous banquet, served after the exercises, and covers were laid for over one hundred persons.

President John Skelton Williams, General Manager J. M. Barr, Second Vice-President Middlebrooks, Traffic Manager East and Third Vice-President McComb, of the Wilmington, are expected in Wilmington in a few days, and the commercial men are preparing to show them some marked public attention while in the city.

The numerous friends here of Mr. E. F. Keith, the famous theatrical manager, and wife, are looking forward with pleasure to their return visit which is set for next week. Mr. and Mrs. Keith will come in their handsome steam yacht "Courier."

Mr. Henry T. King, the popular agent of the Atlantic Coast Line at Richmond, was in the city this week on a visit to relatives and friends.

Mr. Frederick D. Bolles, one of Wilmington's most popular and prominent young business men, has gone to Washington, D. C., to take a responsible position in the branch office of Hugh McFie & Company, bankers and brokers.

A large reception was given Tuesday night in the sanctuary of Grace Methodist Church. Several hundred members of the church and their friends were most hospitably received, with a delicious repast.

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Suits, Coats and Skirts in Splendid Array.



PRIOR to our opening we have provided for a preliminary view of our Novelty Suits and Wraps that have already come in, so that those who wish to purchase early can have the opportunity of a good selection without the inconvenience of the rush that always follows our opening. The display embraces all that is up-to-date and elegant, while the selection is not narrowed to two or three styles, but hundreds can be shown you, the newest designs of the best men-tailors of the country.

Tailored Suits Handsomely Fashioned.

The very best value ever handled by us is a Blouse Suit of Black or Blue Cheviot, also tan covert; neck trimmed in bands of taffeta and frogs, new full sleeve, entirely silk lined; skirt is after the seven-gore series and has hip trimmed to match Jacket—all sizes. The price should really be two or three dollars more than we ask, but to be conservative we have priced these suits at..... \$10.00

At \$15.00 Collarless Blouse Suit, in black or castor, Venetian and cheviot, with in-laid yoke effect, of contrasting color, full sleeves and satin lined; skirt is after seven-gore and habit back.

At \$23.50 Three-quarter length Coat Suit in fine quality Cheviot, over-lapped seam effect and silk-lined throughout. Eleven gore skirt, beautifully tailored and finished.

At \$27.50 Handsome Suit of Blue Zibeline, Blouse has double tucks back and front, piped and designed in black satin, stitched belt and cuffs. The skirt is a nine-gore style, each seam stitched and piped to match Jacket.

At \$30.00 Very noble suit of Black Broadcloth, bolero back, long stole front trimmed in fancy ornaments, lapels faced in black silk and edged with Persian braid, new full sleeve, entirely silk lined; skirt out in the same manner as the wrap..... \$30.00

New Short Jackets.

Here we have one of the most sought-after styles in Fly-front Jackets in tan covert cloth, hip length, strapped seams, regulation sleeve and taffeta lined throughout; an excellent value at..... \$7.50

New Fly-front Covert Jacket, of the length so much in demand, strapped, seamed, back and front, satin lined, beautifully tailored..... \$12.00

Tight-Fitting Jacket of English Covert Cloth, lined throughout in self-colored silk, designed with straps over shoulder, down back and front, plain sleeves and turn-back cuffs..... \$15.00

All Styles of Separate Skirts.

At \$6.50 Walking Skirt of Black or Blue Melton, deep yoke over hips, stitched in design, seven-gore, overlapped seams; a very serviceable skirt.

At \$7.98 Blue and Black Melton Fly-front skirt with panel front, double stitched folds, graduating from hip to foot.

At \$10.00 Habit Black Walking skirt of black broadcloth, stitched cloth bands graduating from skirt to foot, many rows of tailoring stitching at foot, surmounted by two cloth bands.

At \$10.00 Dress Skirt of black or blue taffeta, habit back with stitched rows of taffeta bands, forming three graduating flounces.

At \$12.50 Black Dress Skirt of fine quality Venetian, plain yoke and panel front, outlined with wide graduating bands of silk.

At \$15.00 Dressy Skirt of black taffeta, wide serpentine braid and taffeta bands at hip and knee, panel front, shirred graduated flounce.

Early Blossoms in Spring Millinery.

The actual Spring Opening is some days off yet, though we are straining every nerve to bring it closer; still we always show you the right things, and that takes time.

If we are not prepared to make a public display just yet, we are in a position to show a very fine assortment of the coming season's Dress Hats to all who desire to provide for themselves early. So if you want your Hat this week, do not wait for Kaufmann's Opening, but come right along and we will show you what you most desire. Also

A large variety of nobby styles in Ready-to-Wear Hats attractively priced for early selling.

Kaufmann & Co., Fourth and Broad Streets.

PRIZE WINNERS

IN THE TIMES-DISPATCH WANT COLUMN

CARTOON CONTEST

Hundreds of Drawings Being Submitted from All Over the South—A Popular and Instructive Contest.

The six prizes for the best drawings submitted last week were awarded as follows:

First prize, \$2 order—L. Fitzgerald, American National Bank, city.
Second prize, \$1 order—George N. Mitchell, No. 102 North Ninth Street, city.
Third prize, \$1 order—W. C. Coliga, No. 706 West Clay Street, city.
Fourth prize, \$1 order—M. S. No. 717 West Gray Street, city.
Fifth prize, \$1 order—S. Potts, Jr., No. 102 East Clay Street, city.
Sixth prize, \$1 order—Miss S. A. Rothgeb, No. 904 East Marshall Street, city.

The following named contestants deserve special mention.

RICHLAND, VA.
J. H. Davenport, Barton Palmer, Mrs. B. A. Smith, W. S. Glinn, Annelia Telfair, L. M. McClure, W. L. Burruss, Miss V. L. Page, P. S. C. C. Cook, H. C. Huchins, Mrs. Roy V. Dillea, Richard Schutte, Elsie V. Moncrea, H. L. Nash, Otto Timberlake, R. M. Willis, Elsie Gascoigne, J. M. Purcell, T. D. Eaton, Egbert L. Giles, A. C. Stover, M. W. Baylor, Albert E. Duell, Mrs. M. W. Glass, A. R. R. Saville, R. Dabney, E. J. Underwood, Mrs. M. E. Schaaf, L. C. Oakley, Arthur Collins, Elsie Moncrea, Mrs. E. Vashon, Miss L. Pirsherts, R. C. Munn, S. B. Richardson, Garland Harwood, Mrs. H. R. Hill, Jno. Vandeventer, Mrs. H. R. Hill, FARMVILLE, VA.
Mrs. S. O. Southall, HEATHSVILLE, VA.
Robert Deane, FALLS CHURCH, VA.
Mrs. J. M. Thorne, WINGINA, VA.
Master Henry Gannett, AYLMER, VA.
Mrs. William Ewing, URBANA, VA.
Charles A. Taylor, Jr., FOUNTAIN SPRING, VA.
W. A. Wyeche, BIRCH, VA.
MAIDEN, VA.
Miss L. H. Barrett, SALEM, VA.
Mrs. C. M. Turner, COLLINS, VA.
Miss Julia Willis, ABINGDON, VA.
Miss Fannie T. Walters, RIDGEWAY, N. C.
Thomas E. Munn, DE WITT, VA.
A. G. Butterworth, Julia Butterworth, LEXINGTON, VA.
Charles J. Benfielder, CLIFTON FORGE, VA.
Box 274, BUCHANAN, VA.
HAMPDEN-SIDNEY, VA.
Mrs. E. C. C. LEBANON, VA.
C. R. Heaton, MANASSAS, VA.
Lillian B. Hutchins, DANVILLE, VA.
R. Wylder Booker, BEDFORD SPRINGS, VA.
Hudson C. Miller, ALLIANCE, VA.
Hubert T. Savadge, BRUNTING, VA.
John N. DeShazo, DANVILLE, VA.
R. W. Booker.

STAUNTON, VA.
Birt Wilkes, LAFAYETTE, ALA.
Mrs. John P. Neff, CREWE, VA.
Thomas Shortt, CHAS. CITY, VA.
Miss Leal Gregory, LEXINGTON, VA.
William Ackerly, BALDUA, VA.
E. P. Ferguson, HOUSTON, VA.
Mrs. Julia Sparrow, SHAKO, VA.
Miss Fanny Harry Lawrence, HARRIS, VA.
M. M. Leitch, GOSHEN BRIDGE, VA.
W. L. Roadways, NOTTOWAY, VA.
Mrs. Landon Jackson, STANARDSVILLE, VA.
Master Raymond Thomas, BOYKINS, VA.
Sidney R. Grizzard, STOKES, VA.
J. A. Rock, PETERSBURG, VA.
Edward C. Potts, F. G. Shatto, ABINGDON, VA.
B. W. W. MONTEPELIER, VA.
Frederick Thompson, SCOTTSVILLE, VA.
Dr. J. P. Blair, HENRICO COUNTY, VA.
George L. L. EASTVILLE, VA.
Mrs. T. J. Cole, SPOTTSVILLE, VA.
J. B. Jones, CROFTON, VA.
Miss A. W. Cooke, ORD BANK, VA.
J. C. Senger, BLACKSTONE, VA.
Bert DeShazo, CHAMBERSBURG, VA.
Charles Hatcher, ROANOKE, VA.
Miss Mary R. Derr, GORDON, VA.
George M. Field, BOWLING GREEN, VA.
C. W. Garrett, BUENA VISTA, VA.
Miss Margaret Bates, MAIDEN, VA.
Miss Sadie L. Overby, ROSENA, VA.
Miss A. G. Davis, MANCHESTER, VA.
C. C. Cerrina, GRAY, VA.
Ruth A. Mason, GORDONSVILLE, VA.
Miss Mildred Broadus, FREDERICK HALL, VA.
Garland Spicer, SOUTHERLINS, VA.
Richard Brooke, LYNCHBURG, VA.
CINCINNATI, OHIO.
Mrs. H. S. Cole, SKINQUARTER, VA.
Kathleen Lewis, CHARLES CITY, VA.
Grace Marib, The wide-awake Times-Dispatch would working out not only REACH EVERY POST-Office IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, but are read by thousands of readers throughout the entire South. Every reader is individually interested in the contest, and thus bringing the greatest and quickest results to the advertiser. When in need do not be misguiding, but take the most direct route to success, via The Times-Dispatch want ad. columns.

THE GRAND LODGE

MEETING OF ELKS

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Richmond Lodge has one of the finest. Its gymnasium and bowling alleys are said to be as fine as the finest.

The traveling Elks these homes are a source of pleasure and comfort. As an example, a gentleman traveling for a Richmond firm throughout the South, if he is an Elk, at night when his duties for the day are over, has somewhere to spend the evening in place of loafing around the hotel lobbies. At the Elks' homes he is made to feel at home, for it is his for the time being.

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Commandery Instituted. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) GRAHAM, VA., March 13.—Graham Commandery, U. D., Knights Templar, was instituted here last night by Grand Recorder J. B. Blanks, of Petersburg. An elegant banquet was given at Graham Inn. Eighteen members were initiated, and a large number will join by dimit from Clinch Valley Commandery at Tazewell and other points.

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Richmonders in New York. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, March 13.—Criticism, W. W. Wheeler and wife; Rosemont, R. J. Agington, Imperial, H. B. Gilmore and wife; Waldorf, W. O. Young; Hoffman, H. Chippy.

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